MODERN PERFINS - ABBREVIATIONS Derek Ransom

Some members have requested a "translation" of the various letterings and abbreviations used in my listings of Modern Perfins. Anybody who sends me queries or inputs automatically gets the latest list, which has a translation at the top. But for those who have not sent me anything yet I can give the following – hopefully this will encourage members who are not so familiar with this area of collecting to look at their holdings and submit their findings.

To account for the various printing changes (since 1993), each value is annotated in sequence. In 1997 Harrison and Enschede re-mastered their dies, leading to the Queen's Head appearing with finer detail. These re-mastered dies are suffixed "r".

There were three different 20p values. The 20p - turquoise is 20, the 20p - green is 20a and the re-mastered is 20r.

25a signified All Over Phosphor, 25b has 2 phosphor bands.

The 1997 26p and 2003 the 1st Gold are suffixed "G": the 1st olive green Machin with white background is "M" (for Millennium).

Also in 1997 sheet printed NVI metamorphosed from Litho to Photo, indicated by "p". The 2007 "sizes" are "l" for Large and "s" for Small. Regional suffixes are Re, Rs, Rw and Rn if and when any more appear. For the high value Castles I use Cas, and the Machins are Mac.

Lastly there are a few more additions to my listings courtesy of Rosemary Smith and Barry Williamson.

C3577.01M	C/I	2nd S	
H3410.01M	HH/MC	2nd S	Hereford or Hillingdon
			Management Committee
L0440.01M	L.B./H	1st S	London Borough of Hackney
T1268.01M	TDC	1st G	Taunton Dean Borough Council
			+ new die
S1310.01	SC/C	25	(a or b not stated)

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